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WORKERS OF CLOSED INDUSTRIAL UNITS IN DELHI
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps taken so far to safeguard the interests of the labourers working in the industrial units to be closed in Delhi in the wake of the direction issued by the Supreme Court in this regard;

(b) whether the Union Government has constituted any committee to safeguard the interests of the labourers;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the said committee has since submitted its report to the Union Government;

(e) if so, the details thereof and reaction of the Government thereto; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a):As per the report received from the Government of NCT of Delhi, Hon`ble Supreme Court of India has ordered for closure of all industrial units that have come up in residential/non-conforming areas on or after 01.08.1990 and impermissible household industries in Delhi. The State Government of NCT of Delhi has taken the following steps to safeguard the interest of labourers working in the industries:

(i) 22749 industries operating in residential/non-conforming areas have been given allotment of alternate industrial plots/flats in conforming areas developed by the Government of Delhi in Bawana, Narela, Badli and Jhilmil industrial areas.

(ii) Approximately 475 hectares of land is likely to be acquired for development of industrial plots for relocating other eligible industrial units.

(iii) Under Master Plan for Delhi-2021, clusters of industrial concentration of maximum 4 hectares of contiguous area, having more than 70% plots within cluster under manufacturing and industrial activities, can be considered for redevelopment on the basis of surveys. Notification in respect of 19 such clusters which qualify for redevelopment has been issued.

(iv) As per Master Plan for Delhi - 2021, 51 more items have been added in the list of household industries.

The above steps would ensure minimum dislocation of industries and the labourers employed therein. The Government of NCT of Delhi is the appropriate authority in this regard.

(b): No, Sir.

(c) to (f): Does not arise.